



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yuji SATO

Group Art Unit: 2116

Application No.: 09/820,729

Examiner: T. Du

Filed: March 30, 2001

Docket No.: 108842

For: DATA TRANSFER TIMING SIGNAL APPARATUS AND METHOD OF DATA
TRANSFER

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the November 4, 2004 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for response being extended to March 4, 2005, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-17 are pending in this application.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 5, 10 and 13, they being allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the features of their respective base claims, as well as any intervening claims. Claims 2, 5, 10 and 13, as well as the remaining pending claims, are allowable for at least the reasons discussed below.